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## REFRIGERANTS — NUMBER DESIGNATION

**1. Scope**

**1.1** Establishes a simple numbering system of referring to common refrigerants instead of using the chemical name, formula or trade name. Although the use of a number for each refrigerant covered is a concise and accurate way of designating the refrigerant, there is no intention of precluding the use of a chemical name or formula.

**2. Terminology**

**2.1 Refrigerant** — The medium for conveying heat in a refrigerating system, being evaporated by absorbing heat at a lower temperature, and liquefied by surrendering heat at a higher temperature.

**2.2 Compound** — A substance formed by the union of two or more elements in definite proportions by mass.

**2.3 Hydrocarbon** — A compound containing only the elements hydrogen and carbon.

**2.4 Halocarbon** — A halogenated hydrocarbon containing one or more of the following halogens — fluorine, chlorine, bromine, and iodine.

**2.5 Isomer** — One of a group of compounds having the same combination of elements, but arranged spatially in different ways.

**2.6 Mixture** — A complex of two or more compounds which do not bear a fixed proportion to one another, and which, however thoroughly mixed together retain a separate existence.

**2.7 Azeotrope** — A mixture of refrigerants in certain proportions which behaves as a pure substance.

**3. Classification**

**3.1** Refrigerants are classified as indicated in the nomenclature given in Table 1.

**4. Numbering System**

**4.1 Carbon Compounds** — The identifying numbers assigned to the hydrocarbons and halocarbons of the methane, ethane, propane, and cyclobutane series are such that the structure of the compounds may be deduced from the refrigerant numbers, and *vice versa*, without ambiguity. The rules of the fixed number systems are as follows.

**4.1.1** The first digit on the right is the number of fluorine (F) atoms in the compound.

**4.1.2** The second digit from the right is the one more than the number of hydrogen (H) atoms in the compound.

**4.1.3** The third digit from the right is one less than the number of carbon (C) atoms in the compound. When this digit is zero, it is omitted from the number.

**4.1.4** The number of chlorine (Cl) atoms in the compound is found by subtracting the sum of the fluorine (F) and hydrogen (H) atoms from the total number of atoms which can be connected to the carbon (C) atoms.

When only 1 carbon atom is present, the total number of attached atoms is 4. When 2 carbon atoms are present the total number of attached atoms is 6, unless the compound is mono-unsaturated, in this case, the total number of attached atoms is 4.

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For saturated hydrocarbons, the total number of attached atoms is the following:

For 1 C, the total number of atoms is 4  
For 2 C, the total number of atoms is 6  
For 3 C, the total number of atoms is 8  
For 4 C, the total number of atoms is 10, etc  
For  $n$  C, the total number of atoms is  $2n + 2$

For mono-unsaturated and cyclic saturated hydrocarbons, the total number of attached atoms is the following:

For 2 C, the total number of atoms is 4  
For 3 C, the total number of atoms is 6  
For 4 C, the total number of atoms is 8  
For 5 C, the total number of atoms is 10, etc  
For  $n$  C, the total number of atoms is  $2n$

**4.1.5** For cyclic Perivatives the letter C is used before the identifying refrigerant number.

**4.1.6** In those instances where bromine is present in place of part or all of the chlorine, the same rules apply except that the letter B after the designation for the parent chloro-fluoro compound shows the presence of bromine (Br). The number following the letter B shows the number of bromine atoms present.

**4.1.7** In the case of isomers of the ethane series, each has the same number and the most symmetrical one is indicated by the number without any letter following it. As the isomers become more and more unsymmetrical, the letters a, b, c, etc, are appended. Symmetry is determined by adding the atomic masses of the groups of elements attached to each carbon atom and subtracting one sum from the other. The smaller the difference, the more symmetrical the product.

**4.1.8** In the case of the ethylene series, the above rules apply, except that the number 1 is used as the fourth digit from the right.

**4.2 Azeotropes and Mixtures** — Azeotropes and mixtures are designated by their respective refrigerant numbers and mass proportions. Refrigerants are named in order of increasing boiling points. For example, a 90% and 10% mixture of refrigerants 22 and 12 will be indicated as R 22/12 (90/10), or R 22/R 12 (90/10) or Refrigerant 22/Refrigerant 12 (90/10).

**4.2.1** Arbitrary identifying numbers of the 400 series are assigned to mixtures.

**4.2.2** Arbitrary identifying numbers of the 500 series are assigned to azeotropes.

**4.3 Miscellaneous Organic Compounds and Inorganic Compounds** — The 600 series is assigned to miscellaneous organic compounds and the 700 series to inorganic compounds.

**4.3.1** Within the organic 600 series, the assignments are arbitrary.

**4.3.2** Within the inorganic 700 series, the molecular mass of the compounds are added to 700 to arrive at the identifying refrigerant numbers.

**4.3.3** When two or more inorganic refrigerants have the same molecular mass, the first assignment will be by number only, the second by number plus the letter A, the third by number plus the letter B, etc.

## 5. Designation

### 5.1 Form

**5.1.1** The identifying number is preceded by the letter symbol "R" or used in combination with the word "Refrigerant" (or its equivalent translation) and shall be equally comprehensible in all cases.

The identifying number may also be preceded by the manufacturer's trade-mark or trade name :

*Example :*

R 12 or Refrigerant 12  
(Trade name) R12  
(Trade name) Refrigerant 12  
(Trade name) 12 Refrigerant, or  
(Trade name) 12

## 5.2 Use on Nameplates and in Textual Matter

5.2.1 Designation of a refrigerant on a nameplate or in specifications shall be transcribed as R 12 or Refrigerant 12, R 22 or Refrigerant 22.

5.2.2 In text or manual writing, the following manner of expression is acceptable.

The compressor can be used with R 12 or R 22,

The compressor can be used with Refrigerants 12 or 22,

The compressor can be used with Refrigerant 12 or Refrigerant 22.

TABLE 1 ORGANIC REFRIGERANT NOMENCLATURE  
( Clause 3.1 )

Refrigerant Number Designation	Chemical Name	Chemical Formula	Molecular Mass	Boiling Point at Pressure of 101·3 kPa °C
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
<b>Miscellaneous Organic Compounds</b>				
<i>Hydrocarbons</i>				
50	Methane	CH <sub>4</sub>	16·0	—161
170	Ethane	CH <sub>3</sub> CH <sub>3</sub>	30·1	—89
290	Propane	CH <sub>3</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>3</sub>	44·1	—42
600	Butane	CH <sub>3</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>3</sub>	58·1	0
600a	2-Methylpropane (Isobutane)	CH (CH <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>3</sub>	58·1	—12
*				
<i>Oxygen Compounds</i>				
610	1, 1'-Oxybis [ethane] (Ethyl ether)	C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>5</sub> OC <sub>2</sub> H <sub>5</sub>	74·1	35
611	Methyl formate	HCOOCH <sub>3</sub>	60·0	32
<i>Sulfur Compounds</i>				
620				
<i>Nitrogen Compounds</i>				
630	Methanamine (Methyl amine)	CH <sub>3</sub> NH <sub>2</sub>	31·1	—6
631	Ethanamine (Ethyl amine)	C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>5</sub> NH <sub>2</sub>	45·1	17
<b>Inorganic Compound†</b>				
702	Hydrogen	H <sub>2</sub>	2·0	—253
704	Helium	He	4·0	—269
717	Ammonia	NH <sub>3</sub>	17·0	—33
718	Water	H <sub>2</sub> O	18·0	100
720	Neon	Ne	20·2	—246
728	Nitrogen	N <sub>2</sub>	28·1	—196
729	Air	—	29·0	—194
732	Oxygen	O <sub>2</sub>	32·0	—183
740	Argon	Ar	39·9	—186
744	Carbon dioxide	CO <sub>2</sub>	44·0	—78 (sublimes)
744A	Nitrogen oxide (Nitrous oxide)	N <sub>2</sub> O	44·0	—91
764	Sulfur dioxide	SO <sub>2</sub>	64·1	—10
<b>Unsaturated Organic Compounds</b>				
1112a	1, 1-Dichloro-2, 2-difluoroethane	CCl <sub>2</sub> = CF <sub>2</sub>	132·9	19
1113	Chlorotrifluoroethane	CClF = CF <sub>2</sub>	116·5	—28
1114	Tetrafluoroethane	CF <sub>3</sub> = CF <sub>3</sub>	100·0	—76
1120	Trichloroethane	CHCl = CCl <sub>2</sub>	131·4	88
1130	(E)-1, 2-Dichloroethane	CHCl = CHCl	96·9	48
1132a	1, 1-Difluoroethane (Vinylidene fluoride)	CH <sub>2</sub> = CF <sub>2</sub>	64·0	—82
1140	Chloroethane (Vinyl chloride)	CH <sub>2</sub> = CHCl	62·5	—14
1141	Fluoroethane (Vinyl fluoride)	CH <sub>2</sub> = CHF	46·0	—72
1150	Ethene (Ethylene)	CH <sub>2</sub> = CH <sub>2</sub>	28·1	—104
1270	1-Propene (Propylene)	CH <sub>3</sub> CH = CH <sub>2</sub>	42·1	—48

\*The compounds ethene and 1-propene might appear in the hydrocarbon section in order to indicate that these compounds are hydrocarbons. Ethene and 1-propene are properly identified under unsaturated organic compounds.

†The assignment of 700 series numbers to compounds does not preclude the use of a chemical name or formula, if desired.

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TABLE 1 ORGANIC REFRIGERANT NOMENCLATURE — Contd

Refrigerant Number Designation	Chemical Name	Chemical Formula	Molecular Mass	Boiling Point at Pressure of 101·3 kPa (5) °C
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
<b>Halocarbon Compounds</b>				
10	Tetrachloromethane (Carbontetrachloride)	CCl <sub>4</sub>	153·8	77
11	Trichlorofluoromethane	CCl <sub>3</sub> F	137·4	24
12	Dichlorodifluoromethane	CCl <sub>2</sub> F <sub>2</sub>	120·9	−30
12B1	Bromochlorodifluoromethane	CClBrCF <sub>2</sub>	165·4	−4
12B2	Dibromodifluoromethane	CCl <sub>2</sub> Br <sub>2</sub>	209·8	29
13	Chlorotrifluoromethane	CClF <sub>3</sub>	104·5	−81
13B1	Bromotrifluoromethane	CClBrF <sub>2</sub>	148·9	−58
14	Tetrafluoromethane (Carbontetrafluoride)	CF <sub>4</sub>	88·0	−128
20	Trichloromethane (Chloroform)	CHCl <sub>3</sub>	119·4	61
21	Dichlorofluoromethane	CHCl <sub>2</sub> F	102·9	9
22	Chlorodifluoromethane	CHClF <sub>2</sub>	86·5	−41
23	Trifluoromethane	CHF <sub>3</sub>	70·0	−82
30	Dichloromethane (Methylene chloride)	CH <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub>	84·9	40
31	Chlorofluoromethane	CH <sub>2</sub> ClF	68·5	−9
32	Difluoromethane (Methylene fluoride)	CH <sub>2</sub> F <sub>2</sub>	52·0	−52
40	Chloromethane (Methyl chloride)	CH <sub>3</sub> Cl	50·5	−24
41	Fluoromethane (Methyl fluoride)	CH <sub>3</sub> F	34·0	−78
50	Methane*	CH <sub>4</sub>	16·0	−161
110	Hexachloroethane	CCl <sub>3</sub> CCl <sub>3</sub>	236·8	189
111	Pentachlorofluoroethane	CCl <sub>3</sub> CCl <sub>2</sub> F	220·3	135
112	1,1,2,2-Tetrachloro-1,2-difluoroethane	CCl <sub>2</sub> FCCl <sub>2</sub> F	203·8	93
112a	1,1,1,2-Tetrachloro-2,2-difluoroethane	CCl <sub>3</sub> CClF <sub>2</sub>	203·8	91
113	1,1,2-Trichloro-1,2,2-trifluoroethane	CCl <sub>2</sub> FCClF <sub>2</sub>	187·4	48
113a	1,1,1-Trichloro-2,2,2-trifluoroethane	CCl <sub>3</sub> CF <sub>3</sub>	187·4	46
114	1,2-Dichloro-1,1,2,2-tetrafluoroethane	CClF <sub>2</sub> CClF <sub>2</sub>	170·9	4
114a	1,1-Dichloro-1,2,2,2-tetrafluoroethane	CCl <sub>2</sub> CF <sub>3</sub>	170·9	4
114B2	1,2-Dibromo-1,1,2,2-tetrafluoroethane	CCl <sub>2</sub> Br <sub>2</sub>	259·9	47
115	Chloropentafluoroethane	CClF <sub>2</sub> CF <sub>3</sub>	154·6	−39
116	Hexafluoroethane	CF <sub>3</sub> CF <sub>3</sub>	138·0	−79
120	Pentachloroethane	CHCl <sub>2</sub> CCl <sub>3</sub>	202·3	162
123	2,2-Dichloro-1,1,1-trifluoroethane	CHCl <sub>2</sub> CF <sub>3</sub>	152·9	27
124	2-Chloro-1,1,1,2-tetrafluoroethane	CHClCF <sub>3</sub>	136·5	−12
24a	1-Chloro-1,1,2,2-tetrafluoroethane	CHF <sub>2</sub> CClF <sub>2</sub>	136·5	−10
125	Pentafluoroethane	CHF <sub>2</sub> CF <sub>3</sub>	120·0	−49
133a	2-Chloro-1,1,1-trifluoroethane	CH <sub>2</sub> ClCF <sub>3</sub>	118·5	6
140a	1,1,1-Trichloroethane	CH <sub>3</sub> CCl <sub>3</sub>	133·4	74
142b	1-Chloro-1,1-difluoroethane	CH <sub>3</sub> CClF <sub>2</sub>	100·5	−10
143a	1,1,1-Trifluoroethane	CH <sub>3</sub> CF <sub>3</sub>	84·0	−47
150a	1,1-Dichloroethane	CH <sub>3</sub> CHCl <sub>2</sub>	98·9	60
152a	1,1-Difluoroethane	CH <sub>3</sub> CHF <sub>2</sub>	66·1	−25
160	Chloroethane (Ethylchloride)	CH <sub>3</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> Cl	64·5	13
170	Ethane*	CH <sub>3</sub> CH <sub>3</sub>	30·1	−89
218	Octafluoropropane	CF <sub>3</sub> CF <sub>2</sub> CF <sub>3</sub>	188·0	−37
290	Propane*	CH <sub>3</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>3</sub>	44·1	−42
<b>Cyclic Organic Compounds</b>				
C316	1,2-Dichloro-1,2,3,3,4,4-hexafluorocyclobutane	C <sub>4</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> F <sub>6</sub>	232·9	60
C317	Chloroheptafluorocyclobutane	C <sub>4</sub> ClF <sub>7</sub>	216·5	26
C318	Octafluorocyclobutane	C <sub>4</sub> F <sub>8</sub>	900·0	−6

Composition		Azeotropic Temp °C	
Azeotropes†			
500	R 12/152a (73·8/26·2 wt%)	0	99·3
501‡	R 22/12 (75/25 wt%)	−41	93·1
502	R 22/115 (48·8/51·92 wt%)	19	111·6
503	R 23/13 (40·1/59 wt%)	−88	87·5
504	R 32/115 (48·2/51·8 wt%)	17	79·2
505‡	R 12/31 (78·0/22·0 wt%)	115	103·5
506	R 31/114 (55·1/44·9 wt%)	18	93·7

\*The compounds methane, ethane, and propane appear in the halocarbon section in their proper numerical positions, although these products are not halocarbons.

†All azeotropic refrigerants, by their nature, exhibit some segregation of components at conditions of temperature and pressure other than those at which they were formulated. The exact extent of this segregation depends on the particular azeotrope and hardware system of configuration.

‡The exact composition of this azeotrope is in question and additional experimental studies are needed.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This standard is based on ISO/R 817 Organic Refrigerants—Number designation, published by the International Organization for Standardization. The standard also takes into account Doc : ISO/TC 86/SC 8 N26 Second Working Draft Revision of ISO/R 817.